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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 26, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks. It is believed that no fees are associated with the filing and consideration of this response, however, **should the Commissioner decide that any fee or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees incurred as a result of entering this amendment and response to deposit account number 03-0172.** Please amend the present application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.